

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-4324

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Mr. Daniel Werfel
Acting Commissioner of Internal Revenue
Internal Revenue Service
1111 Constitution Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20224

Dear Acting Commissioner Werfel:

I am writing to you regarding the long pending applications for tax-exempt status by groups that have yet to receive a decision by the IRS. Of particular concern is the currently pending application to the IRS by the Northeast Tarrant Tea Party.

In the aftermath of the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration's audit of the improper practices for determining tax-exempt status, I request that the IRS expedite the processing of the still pending application by the Northeast Tarrant Tea Party and any other organizations in the 24th Congressional District of Texas. The members of these organizations through no fault of their own appear to have been subject to improper targeting by the IRS. Now that the discriminating practices by the IRS have been discovered, the very least that can be done to start helping targeted organizations recover is to expedite the remaining work that should have already been conducted to render a decision on their pending application.

I would appreciate hearing from you regarding your anticipated timeline for reaching a decision on the pending application of the Northeast Tarrant Tea Party and any other applications submitted by organizations in the 24th Congressional District of Texas. I also request the timeline for the conclusion of all other remaining applications that were improperly handled by the IRS. I respectfully request that all measures be taken to expedite this process.

Thank you for your review of this letter and I look forward to receiving your prompt reply. Should you have any questions regarding this correspondence, please feel free to contact me or my Legislative Director, Scott Cunningham, at 202.225.6605 or scott.cunningham@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,



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